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## I. Basis of the report

1. With regard to the elements of the international application:<sup>\*</sup> the international application as originally filed the description:

pages 1-5, as originally filed

pages \_\_\_\_\_, filed with the demand

pages \_\_\_\_\_, filed with the letter of \_\_\_\_\_

 the claims:

pages \_\_\_\_\_, as originally filed

pages \_\_\_\_\_, as amended (together with any statement) under article 19

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 the drawings:

pages 1, as originally filed

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 the sequence listing part of the description:

pages \_\_\_\_\_, as originally filed

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## 2. With regard to the language, all the elements marked above were available or furnished to this Authority in the language in which the international application was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

These elements were available or furnished to this Authority in the following language English which is: the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (under Rule 23.1(b)). the language of publication of the international application (under Rule 48.3(b)). the language of the translation furnished for the purposes of international preliminary examination (under Rules 55.2 and/or 55.3).

## 3. With regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application, the international preliminary examination was carried out on the basis of the sequence listing:

 contained in the international application in written form. filed together with the international application in computer readable form. furnished subsequently to this Authority in written form. furnished subsequently to this Authority in computer readable form. The statement that the subsequently furnished written sequence listing does not go beyond the disclosure in the international application as filed has been furnished. The statement that the information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written sequence listing has been furnished.4.  The amendments have resulted in the cancellation of: the description, pages \_\_\_\_\_ the claims, Nos. \_\_\_\_\_ the drawings, sheet/fig \_\_\_\_\_5.  This report has been established as if (some of) the amendments had not been made, since they have been considered to go beyond the disclosure as filed, as indicated in the Supplemental Box (Rule 70.2 (c)).<sup>\*\*</sup><sup>\*</sup> Replacement sheets which have been furnished to the receiving Office in response to an invitation under Article 14 are referred to in this report as "originally filed" and are annexed to this report since they do not contain amendments (Rules 70.16 and 70.17).<sup>\*\*</sup> Any replacement sheet containing such amendments must be referred to under item 1 and annexed to this report.

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## V. Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

## 1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Claims	1-8	YES
	Claims		NO

Inventive step (IS)	Claims	1-8	YES
	Claims		NO

Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-8	YES
	Claims		NO

## 2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)

The claimed invention is not considered to be anticipated by the patent documents cited. None of these documents reveals the tyre device described in the claims.

The invention according to claims 1- 8 is therefore considered to be novel, to involve an inventive step and to be industrially applicable.

FR 2669276 A1 (CYCLES FARRAROLI-CH)

CH 336278 A (GEORG FISCHER AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT)

WO 9821056 A1 (PACEMARK, INC)

## CLAIMS

1 An arrangement relating to pneumatic tubeless tires that are fitted with a tire bead (12) in sealing abutment with a rim seat (13) inwardly from a rim edge (14) on each side of an undivided rim (11), characterised in that the tire is provided with an internal lip seal (16), which is made of rubber or some like elastic material and which extends along the rim seat (13) inwardly from the tire bead (12); in that the outer part of the internal seal (16) proximal to the rim edge (14) is fastened to the tire bead (12) at a distance from its end; in that the inner edge of the lip seal (16) rests on the rim (11); in that the inner part of the internal seal (16) proximal to the centre of the rim (11) has a circumference which is slightly smaller than the circumference of the rim (11) at this location; and in that the seal (16) is adapted to seal at least in the region of the abutment of the tire bead (12) with the rim seat (13) through the influence of the pneumatic pressure in the tire (10).

15 2 An arrangement according to Claim 1, characterised in that the outer part of the lip seal (16) is glued to the tire rim (2).

20 3 An arrangement according to Claim 1 or 2, characterised in that the lip seal (16) comprises a material of such softness as to cause the seal to lie in sealing abutment with its underlying supporting surface essentially along the whole of the extension of the seal.

25 4 An arrangement according to Claim 1 or 2, characterised in that the lip seal (16) is comprised of a relatively rigid elastic material and is adapted to lie in sealing abutment with the rim (11) at least at the inward part of said seal.

30 5 An arrangement according to any one of Claims 1-4, characterised in that the lip seal (16) is fastened with the edge of its outer part spaced from the end of the tire bead (12) by at least 50-70 mm.

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6 An arrangement according to any one of Claims 1-5, characterised in that the lip seal (16) has a skirt-like configuration with the inner part of said seal resting loosely on the rim (11).

5 7 An arrangement according to any one of Claims 1-6, characterised in that the inner edge of the lip seal (16) has the form of a so-called selvage.

8 The use of the arrangement according to Claims 1-7 in low profile tires, preferably low profile tires intended for forestry service.

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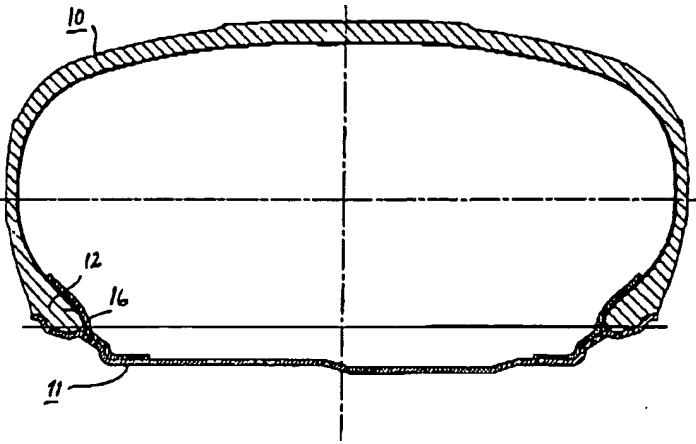
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